# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# DEFENCE
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2782
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MILITARY BUILD-UP IN SIR CREEK BY PAKISTAN
VUKKALA RAJESWARAMMA

**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Pakistan has increased its military build-up Sir Creek area in Gujarat Kutch region; and

(b) if so, the measures taken to step up surveillance and protection of coast line on the Gujarat and Maharashtra Coasts to check infiltration and arms drops from Pakistan?

## Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): Available reports indicate that certain elements of Pak formations had moved out ostensibly for training in areas opposite Kutch. The Pakistani dispositions in the area presently appear to be defensive in nature.

Government continue to take all appropriate steps to ensure security of our borders, including the coast-line.